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NEWS IN FRATERNAL CIRCLES OF ST. LOUIS.

State Meetings Here Last Week.

The St. Louis Advisory Board of the

record Reeper, Florence Fleder, infance Carrie Weaver; chaplain, K. Sloat; mis-arms, Minnie Hooper; sentinel, Chra-eket, Lulu Bechtold; planist, H. Andrews picket, Linu recursor.

I. Joagens, No. 25, held a business meeting erty Hive, No. 25, held a business meeting fell Easton avenue last Wednesday evenetith fair attendance, about sixty members present. Lady Mary Boiger, commander decrease Hive, and Lady Ann Boiger, recorder of the same hive, were present and spoke of the arter.

irrothers J. J. Loran J. J. McMahon, M. J. Kennedy and Henry Dinnius have the matter in hand and promise a successful turnout on that evening.

Humboldt Lodge had a rousing good time at its meeting last Monday evening. After conferring the degree on six candidates and the reception of four applications for membership, Grand Vice Protector Johanna Feldmann, Protector George Trunk and Past Protector John Hoetle made a partial report on the euchre and hop to be given by the lodge at Ebkard's Hall. Texas avenue and Cherokee street, Saturday evening, March I.

Initial Ledge continues to initiate candidates, the degree being conferred on five candidates, and four applications being received at a well-attended meeting last Tuesday evening, A good time followed the close of the meeting, an amusing feature being an auction, with Deputy Grand Protector H. M. Kane as succioneer.

Irving, the enterprising lodge at Maplewood, held a very interesting meeting last Tuesday evening, were mirlated and wwo applications candidates were initiated and wow applications and market and dance were distributed for a curbir and dance when the standard were mirlated and seven more applications and initiating were distributed for a curbir and dance when the standard were mirlated and and the standard were mirlated and alarge evening. March 13. A delecation is being organized among the city lodges for the porpose of attending the affair.

Enterorise Lodge last Monday evening had a large attendance of members and visitors, receiving two applications and initiating one candidate. The usual hon followed the meeting, interspersed with reclassions by Brothers Louis A. Steber, M. M. Moran and the Misses Gannon and songs by Sisters Mamie Rogers and Kaln and Brother Smith. The laughable event of the evening was the cityinal and unione Das Tucker quadrille as called by Brothers William Kemsley. Pear Lodges had merry gathering at the meeting last Thursday evening, the occasion being the aurmal evening and members of Poari and the visiting lodges turne secretically control percy: One application was received.

South End Council was entertained with songs by the South End Quartet, instrumental music by N. A. Houck, recitations by J. G. Gaskill and readings by J. J. Clinge.

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The second council of the second council and second council and second council of the second council of the second council of the second council and second council and second council and second council with great enthusiasm. The council was entertained with socal music by C. M. Rosborough, recitations by Miss Louisa Lang, remarks by Brother Summers of West Pains Council, and others, instrumental music by the quartet and several selections on the phonograph by Treasurer Hackenyss, Deputy Grand Recent Cutter was on hand, together with Brother H. E. Clark one of Forest Park's first recents.

Mentor is making big preparation for the cuchre party March 6. The members are displaying great interest and the affair promises to

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teen applications for membership to propose in South Side Lodge next Thursday evening.
Clover Leaf Lodge will have a donkey party next Thursday evening after the initiation of candidates now pending. Itrothers F Goldsmith, Fred Bergemann and Captain C. M. Warner have the affair in hand.
Triumphant Lodge held one of the most pleasing meetings in its history last Monday evening, initiating six candidates and receiving ten applications for Lodge had an interesting time at the advantage of the control of the contro

and one application received. Thirty applications are pledged for the next that the complex Hill Council Hall the pleasure of entertaining String Compton Hill Council Hall the pleasure of entertaining String Council Hall the pleasure of entertaining String Council Hall the pleasure of the council Hall the pleasure of the council Four applications were received, and three candidates initiated. Under duty xvil souns by Charles F. Heckel. W. B. Bell and C. W. Minch, violin solo by John Hoffman and an exhibition of council pictures with Compton Hill's new stereorition. Victoria Council received three applications. Songs were rendered by F. H. Winthers, readings by H. C. Honer and an address by J. Isaacs. An invitation is extended to the decreteans of all councils contemplating costoming to attend Victoria's next meeting, when their officers will appear in new robes under Duty IX. Missouri Council had a pleasant visit from F. W. Dalmer of Compton Hill Council at its last meeting in Elks' Hall. Hereafter Missouri will meet in the Fraternal building, the nights of meeting being unchanged. A grand house warming is contemplated at the first meeting in the new quarters, March 2, to which all brethen are cordially invited.

Mound City Council had a large stiendance stime of J. J. Voelimecke was filled by the election of Henry H. Lamphing.

Easton Council initiated one candidate, who promised an application by the next meeting; another member promised four. The six application by the next meeting: another member promised four. The six application be received an application by the next meeting: another member promised four. The six application by the next meeting: another member promised four. The six applications pending were all eccured by officers, Past Regent M. Courtney having captured three. Easton is now "out of the woods" and expects to more than make up for lost time long before the end of the year.

Marquette Council had one of its spirited and enthistants meeting a distribution by Ordon Allenders by J. A. Bhortal

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